



**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 5, 2012**

The Public Safety Commission convened in a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2012 at City Hall, 301 West 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Chair Michael Lauderdale, called the Board Meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

Kent Anschutz
Sam Holt
Michael Lauderdale
Michael Levy
Kim Rossmo

Board Members not in Attendance:

Moses Saldana, Sr.
Ramey Ko

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. The minutes for the regular meeting on 02/06/2012 were amended to indicate that Commissioner Rossmo actually called the meeting to order. The minutes were then approved on Commissioner Holt's motion, Commissioner Anschutz's second on a 5-0 vote with Commissioners Saldana and Ko not present.

2. Citizen Communications

- a. Adrian Moore, Executive Director Council on At-Risk Youth, spoke on delinquency prevention, and the Aggression Displacement Program and its associated costs.
- b. Heather Fazio, Austin citizen, spoke on the militarization of APD and operation Urban Shield.
- c. Lori C-Renteria, Downtown Austin Community Court Advisory Committee member, spoke regarding the County Wide Safety Fair at Reagan High School, and requested an APD study on extending "Quality of Life" ordinances from downtown to areas of East Austin. Backup material archived.
- d. Pat Johnson, Austin citizen, spoke about concerns with 9-1-1 service and emergency communication issues.

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3. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- a. EMS Staffing Configuration Update – EMS Chief of Staff James Shamard, EMS Association President Steve Stewart, COA Chief Labor Relations Officer Deven Desai and Deputy City Manager Michael McDonald:
 1. Discussion regarding the memorandum of understanding and points of contention.
 2. General consensus among Commissioners to monitor the process and make recommendations as possible.
 3. EMS to provide an update to the Public Safety Commission on the 4-member EMS staffing configuration.
- b. Internal Review of 9-1-1 – APD Assistant Chief Patti Robinson, APD Lieutenant Greg Moss and APD Chief of Police Art Acevedo:
 1. Overview of the APD Risk Management Inspection report of City of Austin Emergency Communications Division; preliminary findings presented.
 2. Staffing recommendations/changes were discussed.
 3. A copy of the final report requested, once approved.
 4. Backup material archived.

4. Briefings and Updates

- a. Occupy Austin Update – APD Chief of Staff David Carter:
 1. Update provided by Chief Carter; backup material archived.
- b. Outside Examination of the Yogurt Shop Murder Case as requested by Co-Vice Chair Rossmo:
 1. APD Chief of Staff David Carter provided an overview of the investigation from beginning to present, including information on previous independent examination.
 2. Co-Vice Chair Rossmo discussed the necessity for an updated outside review.
 3. APD Chief of Staff David Carter discussed the sensitivities of publicly discussing an open investigation.
- c. Downtown Camera Update – APD Commander Troy Gay:
 1. Update provided by Commander Gay.
- d. Strategic Wildland Fire Task Force Update – AFD Chief of Staff Harry Evans and AFD Engineering Manager Carl Wren
 1. Update provided by AFD Chief of Staff Harry Evans and Engineering Manager Carl Wren.
 2. Backup material archived.

5. Possible Agenda Items for April Meeting

- a. Request by Commissioner Levy to have City Legal provide a briefing on the “Quality of Life” city ordinances.
- b. Request by Commissioner Lauderdale for an APD briefing on youth and gang issues as end of school approaches.
- c. APD 2011 Review by APD Chief of Staff David Carter.

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6. Adjournment

- a. Motion by Commissioner Levy, 2nd by Commissioner Holt. Meeting adjourned.

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